

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN,

Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer for Funding the  
Town Debt, Superintendent of the Cemetery,

SEXTON OF THE CEMETERY,

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, AND AUDTORS

OF THE

TOWN OF CAMPTON,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1872.

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# REPORT.

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## RECEIPTS.

1871.			
March	1.	By cash on hand,	\$1,907.27
	14.	H. G. Coffin,	6.32
		Joseph Cook, gave note,	460.00
		J. Cook, collector in 1870,	445.00
	28.	Moses Spokesfield, gave note,	100.00
	30.	Mary McGrath, gave note,	96.52
April	12.	J. Cook, collector for 1870,	130.00
	14.	S. N. Stickney, in part for town farm,	580.00
	15.	Allen Willey, gave note,	190.69
	18.	J. Cook, collector for 1870,	100.00
	22.	Dan'l Blaisdell, on Emerson bond,	50.00
		G. W. Keniston, " "	50.00
		C. G. Webster, " "	50.00
		A. Keniston, " "	50.00
		Luther Osgood, " "	35.00
May	1.	John Keniston, gave note,	1,100.38
	25.	C. W. Pulsifer, " "	100.00
	31.	J. Cook, collector for 1870,	135.00
		Chastina Ward, gave note,	300.00
June	10.	J. Cook, " "	1,000.00
	14.	J. Cook, " "	500.00
	19.	Moses Spokesfield, " "	100.00
	22.	Alfred Cook, " "	140.00
	30.	Moses Spokesfield, " "	100.00
July	1.	Daniel Goodhue, " "	200.00
	3.	J. Cook, collector for 1870,	170.00

July	14.	By cash	Noah H. Sawyer, gave note,	771.00
	20.		Clark Merrill, “	110.00
August	4.		Mary B. Lougee, “	20.00
	18.		Langdon Foss, “	100.00
	27.		Allen Willey, “	150.00
	31.		Lorette Leavitt, “	50.00
Sept.	9.		N. L. Greenleaf, “	165.70
	11.		Mary E. Blair, “	100.00
	23.		Harrison Durgin, “	1100.00
	28.		S. J. Philbrick, note due town,	7.33
Nov.	13.		J. Cook, collector for 1870,	65.00
	14.		Amanda Clark, gave note,	116.28
	18.		J. F. Elliott, “	100.00
	18.	By cash of	Lydia W. Webster, gave note,	248.09
	23.		David G. McGrath,	50.00
	29.		F. A. Mitchell, for nails and lum- ber,	16.32
Dec.	2.		L. G. Smith, gave note,	100.00
			J. W. Johnson, “	75.00
	11.		Christopher Smith, gave note,	85.00
1872.				
Jan.	3.		State Treasurer, Savings Bank tax,	176.00
			State Treasurer, literary fund,	99.00
			State Treasurer, railroad tax,	54.34
	10.		J. Cook, collector for 1870,	100.00
	4.		Lavina Rogers, gave note,	40.00
	17.		Zebedee Cook, “	76.06
	27.		Laura Eaton, “	57.00
			Susan Hodgdon, “	52.40
			J. Cook, collector for 1870,	225.00
Feb.	10.		Mary J. Mitchell, gave note,	390.00
			Wm. Morrill, “	500.00
			J. M. Pulsifer, “	1,600.00
			Campton Ladies' Association, gave note,	360.00
			J. R. Davis, gave note,	1,300.00
			State Treasurer, bounty on two bears,	8.00
	12.		Abigail F. Dearborn, gave note,	854.82

Feb.	22.	By cash C. W. Cook, collector for 1867,	48.51
	23.	David M. Moses, gave note,	100.00
		Daniel Blaisdell, “	2,329.55
	24.	for five Centennial reports,	2.50
		for old iron,	4.64
		Jacob Avery, gave note,	600.00
		J. Cook, collector for 1870,	133.00
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			\$20,636.32
		T. J. Sanborn, error in entry,	.19
March	1.	By cash of C. G. Webster, gave note,	100.00
		T. S. Pulsifer, “	1,028.00
		Joseph Cook, collector for 1869,	49.70
		“ “ “ “	40.46
		“ “ “ 1870,	140.00
		J. Cook, collector for 1870,	62.87
		“ “ “ “	125.00
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			\$22,182.54
Whole amount of taxes assessed April 1, 1871,			10,838.86
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			\$33,021.40

### CASH PAID OUT.

*Notes and interest, dated Jan. 4, 1868.*

1871.			
Mar.	1.	Paid Charlotte Sanborn,	\$466.11
	10.	T. J. Sanborn, note and interest,	
		dated Aug. 8, 1870,	436.28
	13.	W. G. Brown,	5.50
		Express bill on reports,	.50
	14.	George Little,	2.00
	23.	E. J. Young, for record book,	6.25
		McFarland & Jenks, for reports,	64.50
		B. W. Sanborn & Co., for invoice	
		books and highway warrants,	4.00
	24.	B. Fifield, for washers for bridge,	.67
	25.	Jason Clark, for bolts,	3.00
		T. J. Sanborn, express bill,	.30
		“ for postage stamps,	1.50

Mar.	28.	Paid J. Mudgett, note, principal and int.,	154.17
		I. L. Adams, endorsed on note,	100.00
	30.	Mary McGrath, note,	28.37
		John Adams, note, dated July 13, 1866, in full,	197.48
		John Adams, note, dated Feb. 18, 1867, in full,	190.70
		John Adams, note, dated Mar. 12, 1868, in full,	208.99
		John Adams, note, dated, Oct. 9, 1868,	231.13
		John Adams, note, dated, Jan. 22, 1870,	536.01
April	7.	Hiram Merrill, balance on Blair's br. and bolts,	22.00
	10.	J. W. Morrison, for stationery,	.50
	12.	T. S. Pulsifer's note, dated July 5, 1870, in full,	104.62
		V. N. Bass, bill of blanks,	1.00
	15.	Allen Willey's note, dated Jan. 3, 1870,	60.69
		Archie Robie, for lumber for El- liott br.,	25.00
	19.	C. G. Webster, endorsed on note, dated May 12, 1869,	100.00
		Fox & Mason, for powder,	2.00
	25.	Blair & Leverett, for legal services, Freight on derrick,	110.00 8.00
May	1.	Henry Hodgman, for work on Elli- ott bridge,	10.00
		J. M. Ames's note, in full,	1,100.38
	6.	A. Robie, for lumber on Elliott bridge,	33.10
		W. R. Smith, for labor on Elliott bridge,	15.00
		Charles Palmer, for labor on Elliott bridge,	11.90
		Arthur Foss, for labor on Elliott bridge,	5.00
	13.	V. N. Bass, for blanks,	1.00
		Balance on C. G. Webster's note, dated May 12, 1869,	124.10

May	13.	Paid Charles H. Smith, for labor on Elliott bridge,	25.00
		C. Palmer, work on Elliott bridge,	15.00
		Arthur Foss, " "	10.00
		George Hodgman, " "	5.00
		C. S. Dearborn, " "	5.00
	18.	Arthur Foss, " "	20.00
	22.	G. Wallace, note, dated Nov. 5, 1870,	51.64
	23.	Francis Hodgman, work on Elliott bridge,	131.29
		Henry Hodgman, work on Elliott bridge,	44.75
		C. S. Dearborn, work on Elliott bridge,	47.50
		Daniel Morrill, work on Elliott bridge,	44.37
		G. T. C. Smith, freighting derrick,	15.00
	27.	S. J. Philbrick, iron work on Elliott bridge,	15.00
	29.	Hannah D. Adams, on note, dated Sept. 28, 1868,	50.00
		A. Robie, lumber for Elliott bridge,	100.00
	31.	Stephen Avery's note, dated Sept. 1, 1866,	187.43
		C. S. Ward's note, dated Feb. 7, 1867,	128.65
		C. S. Ward's note, dated Feb. 15, 1868,	24.24
June	1.	North American Bolt Co., bolts for Elliott bridge,	88.30
		J. J. Sanborn, for use of derrick,	58.00
	2.	Ellen Bartlett, endorsed on note, dated Dec. 11, 1866,	50.00
	3.	Archie Robie, lumber for Elliott bridge,	100.00
		Charles Palmer, work on Elliott bridge,	20.98
		John Colby, work on Elliott bridge,	3.50
		Charles H. Smith, " "	44.87
	6.	Freight bill,	13.35
		T. J. Sanborn, express bill,	.50

June	12.	Paid Frank Elliott, work on Elliott bridge,	21.50
	14.	C. A. Whidden, bounty on bear,	4.00
	17.	E. P. Taylor, endorsed on note, dated May 23, 1866,	15.00
		Lydia B. Burleigh's note, dated June 30, 1866,	133.55
		W. R. Smith, labor on Elliott bridge,	27.50
		A. Robie, lumber for " "	50.00
		G. T. C. Smith, freighting bolts,	1.00
	24.	S. J. Philbrick, repairing tools for Elliott bridge,	24.64
		J. W. Preston, recording 2 births,	.50
July	5.	Harriet Thornton's note, dated March 14, 1866,	327.04
	8.	Elizabeth P. Taylor's note, dated May 23, 1866,	111.31
	15.	A. Robie, for labor and lumber on Elliott bridge,	40.00
	17.	John Keniston's note, dated May 1, 1871,	1,114.50
	24.	Ellen Bartlett's note, dated Dec. 11, 1866,	80.51
	31.	A. Robie, labor and lumber for Elliott bridge,	84.91
Aug.	5.	Lewis Keyes's note, Dec. 2, 1869,	30.00
	9.	J. M. Hart, endorsed on note dat- ed April 11, 1870,	50.00
	17.	C. M. Bartlett, overseer of poor,	100.00
		A. F. Pike, for legal services,	200.00
	24.	Arthur Foss, labor on Elliott bridge,	9.00
Sept.	2.	G. W. Keniston, to pay coupons on bonds,	511.68
		Balance of Lewis Keyes's note, dat- ed Dec. 2, 1869,	404.59
	7.	Balance of P. D. Hart's note, dat- ed Sept. 22, 1869,	57.27
	9.	N. L. Greenleaf's note, dated Nov. 9, 1866,	165.70
	15.	C. W. Pulsifer's note, dated May 25, 1871,	101.83
	16.	T. J. Sanborn, express bill,	.20



Sept. 16.	Paid E. L. Bartlett's note, dated Mar. 19, 1866,	144.65
Oct. 10.	Henry Flint's note, dated April 27, 1869,	86.56
	Henry Flint's note, dated Feb. 25, 1871,	959.69
	Charles Cutter, surveying road,	.50
	Russell, Bill & Co., for nails,	19.00
Nov. 6.	J. S. Avery, bounty on bear,	4.00
	Amanda Clark's note, dated Sept. 2, 1865,	116.28
	Alfred Cook's note, dated June 20, 1871,	143.00
18.	Allen Willey's note, Aug. 24, 1871,	152.10
	J. F. Elliott, work on Elliott bridge,	18.50
	G. W. Wallace's note, dated Aug. 25, 1869,	148.09
25.	Stephen Leavitt, endorsed on note, dated April 12, 1870,	25.00
29.	A. W. Silver, for nails,	1.56
	J. S. Wallace, work on Elliott bridge,	2.00
	F. A. Mitchell and others, work on Elliott bridge,	276.24
Dec. 2.	L. G. Smith's note, dated June 27, 1867,	136.14
4.	Lucy Burnham's note, dated Feb. 5, 1870,	173.27
12.	C. M. Bartlett, overseer of poor,	95.00
1872.		
Jan. 1.	Abatement of Amos Flint's poll tax, 1870,	4.50
	T. J. Sanborn's bill, for snowing Branch bridge, 1870,	5.00
3.	State tax,	1,512.00
11.	Frank L. Morrison's note, dated Aug. 8, 1870,	108.70
13.	H. M. Crowell, repairing Spencer bridge,	97.03
	Nicholas Brown's plank bill,	6.00
	J. W. Morrison, for stationery,	.60
15.	G. W. Keniston, for coupons due Jan. 1st,	503.04

Jan.	17.	Paid Z. Cook's note, dated May 13, 1869,	58.46
	19.	Abigail F. Dearborn, on note dated Oct. 19, 1869,	50.00
	27.	T. S. Pulsifer's bill,	5.74
		J. R. Foss's bill,	14.00
		Elkins Willey, bill of plank,	6.96
		J. W. Hussey, for powder,	1.33
		Hardy Merrill, use of water-trough,	3.00
		Edgar Merrill, land damage,	3.00
		C. M. Bartlett's bill,	50.00
		J. F. Merrill, plank bill,	7.00
		J. F. Merrill, non-resident high- way tax worked,	10.82
		C. G. Webster, shingles for Elliott bridge,	58.62
		W. L. Durgin, work on Elliott bridge,	30.37
Feb.	2.	Moses Spokesfield, note dated July 30, 1870,	109.22
		Moses Spokesfield, note dated March 28, 1871,	105.07
		Joel Pierce, land damage,	15.00
	8.	E. N. Merrill, note dated Dec. 2, 1867,	63.81
	10.	Wellman Cook, work on highway,	7.50
		Mary J. Mitchell, note dated Feb. 22, 1866,	397.99
		G. W. Merrill, bill of plank,	58.22
		Stephen Avery, for water-trough,	3.00
		Allen Willey, damage to land,	7.00
		Moses Spokesfield, work on high- way,	14.40
		Wm. Morrill, note dated Feb. 17, 1866,	558.22
		T. P. Clark, work on non-resident highway tax,	9.82
		C. C. Taylor, work on highway,	6.00
		J. S. Bump, plank bill,	8.06
		Daniel Blaisdell, plank bill,	7.59
		Mary Blaisdell, stone for Elliott bridge,	1.50

Feb. 10.	Paid Mary Blaisdell, abatement over-taxed,	3.50
	J. M. Pulsifer, note dated Sept. 10,	
	1867,	1266.85
	J. M. Pulsifer, note dated Feb. 9,	
	1870,	393.26
	C. M. Bartlett, for support of poor,	125.00
	J. S. Bump, plank bill,	9.91
	E. Willey, non-resident tax worked,	14.94
	S. S. Mitchell, plank bill,	1.50
	Campton Ladies' Association, note	
	dated Feb. 26, 1869,	207.90
	Campton Ladies' Association, note	
	dated Feb. 19, 1870,	96.49
	Campton Ladies' Association, note	
	dated Feb. 11, 1871,	26.50
	Eliza Glines, endorsed on note	
	dated Jan. 4, 1868,	12.36
	Danforth Foss, plank bill,	12.36
	J. R. Davis, note dated June 19,	
	1869,	1050.17
	J. R. Davis, note dated Oct. 28,	
	1869,	228.54
	T. J. Sanborn, Express bill,	.25
12.	Abigail F. Dearborn, note dated	
	Oct. 19, 1869,	64.29
	Abigail F. Dearborn, note dated	
	Feb. 7, 1870,	790.55
21.	Fox & Mason, stationery,	.58
22.	F. E. Morse, abatement,	.24
	J. D. Morse, abatement,	.24
	G. W. Dearborn, use of water-trough,	3.00
	Alonzo Keniston, " "	3.00
	C. W. Cook, abatement of taxes	
	for 1867,	48.41
	Stephen Avery, abatement cow lost,	
	horse damaged,	1.50
	C. W. Cook, school-house tax,	130.00
23.	D. Blaisdell, working non-resident	
	highway tax,	4.96
	D. Blaisdell, work on highway,	10.07
	David Moses, note dated Feb. 23,	
	1871,	53.00

Feb. 23.	Paid D. Blaisdell, note dated Feb. 19, 1867,	2329.25
24.	C. W. Pulsifer, use of water-trough,	2.00
	C. C. Joyslin, plank bill,	1.95
	L. S. Hanaford, abatement on three sheep lost, and work non-res. tax,	3.50
	L. G. Smith, work on highway,	6.50
	O. H. James, bill of shingles,	5.69
	C. M. Bartlett, use of water-trough,	1.50
	C. H. Rogers, painting bridge,	9.00
	Quincy Blakely, S. S. Committee,	50.00
	C. M. Bartlett, abatement on horse lost,	2.64
	C. M. Bartlett, overseer of the poor,	100.00
	John Elliott, abatement on horse lost,	1.32
	John Elliott, school-house tax,	116.00
	Joshua Clark, abatement on cow lost,	.79
	Edmund Durgin, use of water-trough one year,	3.00
	Wm. Brown, abatement on cow and seven sheep lost,	1.27
	George Smith, work non-resident tax and on highway,	13.20
	G. W. Plummer, work on highway and damage to plough,	23.75
	E. Willey, work non-resident tax and on highway,	6.02
	Jacob Avery, note dated June 16, 1868,	234.33
	Jacob Avery, note dated June 5, '69,	175.82
	“ “ “ 17, “	234.05
	Joseph Cook, work on highway and timber,	2.00
	J. Cook, use of oxen on Elliott bridge,	9.50
	J. L. Greenleaf, work on road and plank,	2.64
	Henry Coffin, damage to land and work on road,	7.50
	Wm. Thornton, use of water-trough,	3.00
	James Bartlett, “ “	3.00
	J. E. Bump, abatement, over-taxed,	6.60
	G. C. Taylor, received of Cox & Co.,	40.00

Feb. 24.	Paid G. R. Taylor, use of water-trough	
	and abatement, dog lost,	4.00
	Wm. H. Berry, breaking roads,	6.00
	H. O. Berry, " "	6.00
	L. D. Glovier, services as town-clerk,	24.70
	Wm. G. Brown, taking care town	
	house,	9.00
	Russell, Bill & Co., for iron, paint	
	and oil,	14.89
	A. F. Pike, for legal services,	150.00
	T. J. Sanborn, for stamps and ex-	
	pressage,	1.35
	Fourteen school districts,	1,200.00
	I. L. Adams, abatement, cow lost,	.75
	J. S. Wallis's bill,	5.00
	George Hodgman's bill, work on	
	Elliott bridge,	12.94
March 1.	C. M. Bartlett, services, overseer	
	of poor,	35.00
	D. McGrath's note, dated Dec. 3, '69,	39.87
	" " " June 2, '71,	42.83
	" " " Nov. 23, '71,	50.82
	J. C. Berry, cow and hog lost, abatem't,	1.12
	T. S. Pulsifer's note, dated Mar. 24,	
	1866,	495.52
	" " note dated May 17, 1869,	99.94
	" " " June 17, "	40.95
	" " " July 10, "	174.57
	" " " Oct. 8, 1870,	217.02
	J. Cook, abatements in 1869,	49.70
	Betsey Farrar, one year's interest,	
	note dated Feb. 27, 1871,	6.00
	J. Cook, abatements, year 1870,	62.87
	J. Cook, collector, year 1870,	125.00
	Sarah E. Blair's note, dated July 12,	
	1870,	110.03
	G. H. Little, as per bill,	30.00
	C. Palmer, work on Elliott bridge,	3.00
	Non-resident highway receipts,	49.25
	County tax,	1,203.47
	J. Cook, as per bill,	3.00

March 1.	Paid Abatements, year 1871,	149.06
	Abatement of Jason Cook's poll tax, 1870,	4.50
	I. L. Adams, services as selectman,	67.50
	“ “ cash paid out,	2.25
	“ “ work on bridge,	1.00
	J. Cook's note, dated Mar. 14, 1871,	486.53
	“ “ “ June 14, 1871,	521.50
	C. W. Richardson, abatement, two cows lost,	1.65
	Wm. G. Brown, abatem't, horse lost,	1.65
	F. A. Mitchell, work on highway,	16.32
	Archie Robie, services as selectman,	60.00
	“ “ money paid out,	5.00
	T. J. Sanborn, services as selectman,	126.00
	“ “ “ treasurer,	30.00
	“ “ cash paid out,	8.85
	Archie Robie, as per bill,	26.40
	J. Burrows' bill, legal services,	100.00
	Edmund Durgin, use water-trough,	6.00
	James Bartlett, damage,	3.00
	G. W. Keniston, services as auditor,	2.00
	C. Dole, “ “	2.00
	G. W. Keniston, services as treasurer of committee for funding the town debt,	5.00
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		\$29,600.63

1872.

March 1.	Uncollected taxes of 1871,	1,777.60
	Cash on hand,	1,643.16
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		\$33,021.40

*Indebtedness of the Town, March 1, 1872.*

Due on notes,	\$43,554.05
Due on town bonds,	5,817.60
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	\$49,371.65

*Resources of the Town.*

Uncollected taxes for 1868,	193.72
“ “ 1869,	187.33

Uncollected taxes for 1870,	369.61
“ “ 1871,	1,777.60
Amount due the town for sale of town farm,	3,350.21
Due from Luther Osgood,	15.77
Due from H. H. Southmayd,	52.51
Due from Osmond C. Foss,	94.41
Cash on hand,	1,643.17
State bonds due,	9,082.00
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	\$16,766.38
Leaving the indebtedness of the town,	32,605.27
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	\$49,371.65
Cost of Elliott bridge, \$1,629.46	

THOMAS J. SANBORN,	} <i>Selectmen</i> <i>of</i> <i>Campton.</i>
ISAAC L. ADAMS,	
ARCHIE ROBIE,	

CAMPTON, March 2, 1872.

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

G. W. KENISTON,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
ERASTUS DOLE,	

## REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

*Town of Campton in account with C. M. Bartlett. CR.*

1871.			
March 1.	By balance of last year's account,		\$3.39
Aug. 17.	cash of town treasurer,		100.00
Dec. 12.	" " "		95.00
1872.			
Jan. 27.	" " "		50.00
Feb. 10.	" " "		125.00
24.	" " "		100.00
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			\$473.39

*Town of Campton in account with C. M. Bartlett. DR.*

1871.			
May 24.	Paid John P. Leavitt, for support of		
	Mrs. Augusta Livingston,		\$20.00
26.	Isaac S. Moses, for cow for E. M.		
	Moulton,		43.00
June 9.	Dr. N. K. Russ, medical service		
	rendered Mary F. Whitney,		6.45
16.	E. T. Whitney, for support of		
	Mary F. Whitney,		13.00
Aug. 5.	Dr. S. W. Davis, med. attendance,		
	Mrs. Livingston,		4.00
9.	Dr. M. C. Eaton, med. attendance,		
	Mrs. E. M. Moulton,		13.12
Oct. 18.	Willard Sanborn, for support of		
	Mrs. Moses Cram,		32.00
Nov. 2.	S. H. Cummings, for copy of record,		1.00
4.	E. T. Whitney, for support of		
	Mary F. Whitney,		22.00
Dec. 12.	Dr. E. B. Buxton, med. attendance		
	on Moses Cram,		14.00
	Mrs. Mary J. Sanborn, for nursing		
	Moses Cram,		18.00



Dec. 12.	Paid R. J. Plumer, for coffin for M. Cram,	10.00
	A. W. Silver, material for robe, "	1.63
	J. C. Blair, service as sexton, "	2.50
1872.		
Jan. 27.	John W. Hussey, for support of Andrew C. Peaslee,	43.00
	D. Bartlett, supplies furnished E. M. Moulton,	3.87
	U. G. R. R. Co.,	2.00
29.	C. W. Cook, for taking affidavit,	1.00
31.	Isaac L. Adams, on order,	22.00
	Mason & Fox, bill of goods for E. M. Moulton,	8.58
	Russell, Webster & Bill, pair of shoes for Mrs. Cram,	1.25
Feb. 3.	Willard Sanborn, for support of Mrs. Cram,	36.50
	Town clerk of Hill, for copy of record,	.50
5.	C. W. Cook, bill of goods for Mrs. Cram,	14.92
10.	T. J. Sanborn, for taking affidavit,	.50
	Joseph W. Johnson,	1.40
	Charles Johnson, for hay for E. M. Moulton,	22.70
	Geo. W. Merrill, for wood for E. M. Moulton,	7.60
	Stephen Avery, jr., for pasturing cow for E. M. Moulton,	6.00
	Dr. Wm. A. Smith, for med. attend- ance on Andrew C. Peaslee,	28.50
20.	E. T. Whitney, for support of Mary F. Whitney,	17.00
24.	Dr. M. C. Eaton, for med. attend- ance on Mrs. E. M. Moulton,	4.25
	Dr. E. B. Buxton, med. attend- ance on Mrs. Moses Cram,	13.55
	John M. Blaisdell, as per bill,	3.00
	Reuben H. Avery, for $6\frac{1}{4}$ bush. meal,	6.25
	C. M. Bartlett, expense of pauper to county farm,	6.00

Feb. 24.	Paid C. M. Bartlett, postage and money	
	paid out,	1.75
	Cash to balance,	20.57
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		\$473.39

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them correctly cast and properly vouched for.

GEORGE W. KENISTON, } *Auditors.*  
ERASTUS DOLE, }

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE COMMITTEE FOR FUNDING THE TOWN DEBT OF CAMPTON.

## *Amount of money received of Town Treasurer.*

1871.		
Sept. 2.	Received of T. J. Sanborn,	\$511.68
1872.		
Jan. 15.	Received of T. J. Sanborn,	503.04
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	Amount received,	\$1,014.72

## *Amount Paid out.*

1871.		
Sept. 2,	and since paid for coupons which became due July 1, 1871,	\$511.68
1872.		
Jan. 15,	and since paid for coupons which became due Jan. 1, 1872,	503.04
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	Amount paid out,	\$1,014.72
	Amount received,	1,014.72

GEORGE W. KENISTON,

*Treasurer of the Committee for  
Funding the town debt of Campton.*

March 1, 1872.

March 2, 1872.

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them correctly cast and properly vouched for.

I. L. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditors of the report of the Treasurer for funding the town debt.</i>
T. J. SANBORN,	

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERY.

*Town of Campton in account with Gardner Little, Superintendent of Town Cemetery.*

May.	To 3 days' work,	3.00
	manure for border,	2.00
	use of team,	1.00
June.	2½ days' work,	2.50
	seeds and plants,	2.00
July.	4 days' work,	4.00
	use of team,	2.00
Aug.	1½ days' work,	1.50
	paid for water pail,	.65
Oct.	1 day's work,	1.00
Nov.	paid Charles Sawyer for repairing water-	
	pipe,	.75
	use of team,	.50
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		\$20.90
	Repairing fence,	.50
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		\$21.40
		Cash on hand,
		\$15.10
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		\$36.50
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July.	By cash of T. W. Mitchell, for half lot,	7.00
	Mrs. Lura L. Mitchell, for half lot,	7.00
	Elkins Willey, in part,	5.00
	J. C. Blair,	17.50
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		\$36.50

Number of lots sold during the year, 1.

GARDNER LITTLE, *Superintendent.*

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEORGE W. KENISTON, } *Auditors.*  
ERASTUS DOLE, }

There is due the town of Campton on account of Cemetery, from J. C. Blair, a note of \$177.45.

## REPORT OF SEXTON OF CEMETERY.

*Number entombed and buried in the Cemetery.*

1871.	Age.	From 1 year to 5,	1
		5 years to 10,	1
		10 years to 20,	1
		20 years to 25,	2
		25 years to 30,	1
		30 years to 60,	2
		60 years to 70,	5
		70 years to 75,	2
		75 years to 85,	1
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Removed to Cemetery, 1.

J. C. BLAIR, *Sexton.*



REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE.





# SCHOOL REPORT.

T. J. SANBORN, I. L. ADAMS, AND ARCHIE ROBIE,

*Selectmen of Campton, N. H.:—*

GENTLEMEN—Having attended to the duties of the office to which you appointed me, I now report.

## STATISTICAL TABLE.

Number of District.	PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEES.	Term of School—Summer and Winter.	TEACHERS.	Length of School in wks.	Wages of teacher per month, includ'g board.	Whole No. of scholars.	Average attendance.	No. between 4 and 14 not attending.	Instances of tardiness.	Dismissals.	No. not absent half a day.
1	T. S. Pulsifer.	1	Annie D. Huckins.	6	\$14.00	12	11	0	24	63	7
2	Ozias Holmes.	2	Mary O. Taylor.	10	20.00	16	12.4	0	82	12	2
2	C. M. Cook.	1	Cora L. Page.	8	26.00	26	21	0	21	3	11
3	Charles Webster.	2	Geo. H. Adams.	11	38.00	25	21	4	105	17	2
3		1	Eliza J. Fox.	9.09	31.24	40	36	0	183	17	5
4	Orrin Rowe.	2	Eliza J. Fox.	10.9	33.66	41	35.7	1	311	17	3
5	George Leavitt.	1	Mary J. Morrison.	7.27	26.40	25	22	3	16	27	7
6	N. Lyman Merrill.	2	Louise V. George.	9	28.00	30	25	2	56	32	0
7	Haram Crowell.	1	Ella Wilkinson.	10.9	22.00	8	6	0	22	0	1
8	Wm. P. Garland.	1	Benn. N. Merrill.	9.09	44.00	21	19	0	48	10	3
9	A. H. Cook.	2	Louise Cochran.	7	20.00	17	15	0	13	3	3
10	Freeman Avery.	1	Ada E. Howe.	10	20.00	19	16	2	85	13	1
11	Sherman Bump.	2	Ella N. Wilkinson.	8	19.80	23	20	0	76	24	1
12	Allen Willey.	1	Jennie R. Marston.	8	23.00	28	23	0	73	23	3
13	Archie Robie.	2	Ella Swett.	8	18.00	13	11	2	86	25	2
14	Oliver Craig.	1	S. Kate Smith.	8	26.80	22	18.25	0	70	11	2
		2	S. Ella Swett.	12	21.00	16	12	0	143	6	1
		1	Andrew J. Curry.	7	25.00	26	21.6	1	32	5	1
		2	Fannie Bartlett.	9.09	30.80	26	21	0	47	19	2
		1	Louise V. George.	5	28.00	16	15	0	25	4	4
		1	Flora A. Elliott.								
		1	Emma Russell.	9	20.00	17	12	0	3	1	3
		2	Angie B. Smith.	11.8	27.50	22	16		41	17	0

*District No. 1.* The school numbers more than for several years past. Miss H. had taught in the district before, and it should be said, to her credit, that she fully sustained her former good reputation. The school appeared well. Miss T. is a young and inexperienced teacher, of good attainments and earnest for success. The result proved that her labors were well directed. The school made commendable improvement.

*No. 2.* This school is diminishing in numbers from year to year. Miss P. interested her scholars in their studies, told them a great many valuable truths, and let the younger ones go out whenever it was necessary, I guess. This is the second term she has taught this school, giving general satisfaction. The school, the winter term, under the instruction of Mr. A., a competent and promising teacher, gave evidence of having been well taught, and under good discipline, and also of having been very studious. A profitable term.

*No. 3.* Miss F., teacher both terms, whose praise is in all the families of the district. Her method of instruction and government admirable, her influence elevating and ennobling. True progress noticeable. Cases of insubordination occurred, which, however, were squarely met and promptly put down, without any compromise of dignity or authority on the part of the teacher.

*No. 4.* Miss M. continues to secure the confidence and good will of her pupils, as well of their parents. This was her second term in this district, and with no diminution of interest. Scholars quiet and studious, and made good progress. Miss G. is an active and enterprising teacher, of considerable experience, thorough in her instruction, gentle yet decided in her govern-

ment, and performs her duties in the school-room with apparent ease. Her scholars earnestly engaged in their proper work, and with grand results.

*No. 5.* This continues to be a small school. Miss W. is a faithful teacher. The scholars studious, though rather lonely sometimes. Examination at the close of the term very satisfactory. It is to be hoped that the two panes of glass, which have been out all winter, will have their places supplied before the next term.

*No. 6.* This school was favored with several scholars from out of the district, who proved an advantage to the school. Mr. M. brings to the work a rich experience, much energy and perseverance, and actually performs more labor than is usually expected of teachers, and more than most teachers venture to attempt. Scholars were interested in their studies, and made good advancement in practical knowledge. Self-government to some extent was adopted, with favorable results. Map-drawing, music, and gymnastics were successfully taught.

*No. 7.* This district clings to the old school-house yet, which has an arrangement for ventilation which in a cold, windy day is decidedly inconvenient for teacher, scholars, or visitors. Miss C. fully sustained her previously well earned good reputation in this district. Scholars were well taught; could answer questions when asked by strangers as well as when asked by the teacher, which pupils sometimes fail to do. Miss H. met with excellent success in the winter term, teaching her pupils much not found in the text book. Her method of instruction and discipline commendable. A very profitable term.

*No. 8.* This was Miss W.'s first school, and the degree of success attending her efforts was truly encouraging. Gymnastics and vocal music were practised. School quiet and orderly, and made creditable improvement. Miss M. found the school, in the winter, for the most part, a pleasant one. Her earnest efforts to teach were seconded by honest efforts on the part of her pupils to learn. She insisted upon order, and obedience to the rules of school from all, the older as well as the younger, which was very generally cheerfully rendered. One of the older boys, rather than be obedient to reasonable rules, or submit to the penalty for their violation, left the school a short time before its close.

*No. 9.* Miss S. had the advantage, with the disadvantage also, of teaching in her own district. It was noticeable that the scholars answered questions better when the teacher asked them, than when questioned by the committee. The school made very fair progress in their studies. Miss Smith, teacher winter term, had taught several terms in town with uniform success. Her attainments and method of instruction are excellent; but I think she failed to satisfy herself in the government of the school, which contains some large and not very easily managed boys, albeit real progress in knowledge was made.

*No. 10.* The school in this district is not large, and there is quite a difference in the capacity and attainments of the pupils. Very good order prevailed and fair progress in studies made, considering that there was but one term during the year.

*No. 11.* The plan in this district was to have but one term of school, commencing about the first of September. The first teacher was said to be homesick, and remained only a few days.

After an interval of a few weeks, another young lady was placed in charge of the school, who voluntarily retired at the close of the second week. Finally, Mr. Curry was secured, and taught an excellent school for seven weeks—while the money lasted. Scholars behaved with propriety, manifested a good degree of interest in their studies, and made excellent improvement for so short a term. A new school-house is very much needed in this district.

*No. 12.* Miss B. took charge of this school Oct. 25. A few days after, it was visited by the committee, and found to be quiet and fairly begun. The next intelligence I had concerning the school was, that the teacher had been dismissed and had gone home. I understand that the patrons of the school, generally, think it was of but little account. The scholars, in care of Miss G. for five weeks, were manifestly interested in their studies, and acquired quite as much knowledge as would be expected, considering the shortness of the term.

*No. 13.* The one term of school is now in session. It is understood that Miss E. is meeting with good success. We find no new school-house in this district yet.

*No. 14.* A quiet and orderly school. Both the teachers had taught in the district before, and their success furnishes no occasion for regret that they were engaged the second time. Gymnastics practised, the summer term.

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A true education has regard to the proper development of the whole being—the physical, intellectual, and moral natures. The idea is somewhat prevalent that the teacher of the common

school has to do only with the intellectual; if he aids the scholar to understand the science, his work is done. A great want of the present age is honest men. We have men fitted, by their intellectual ability and attainments, for almost any position in life; but many of these men are sadly deficient in common honesty: they are not worthy to be trusted in responsible positions. They have but little, if any, regard for the right because it is right, and they hesitate not to cheat their fellow-men, or the government they profess to serve, at every opportunity. True reform must strike at the root of the matter.

If we would have honest men, we must aim to have honest boys. Let the children, let all the children in our common schools, then and there, as well as at home, be taught to cherish a love for the truth and for the right, and to regard any deviation from strict integrity of character and uprightness in life as degrading and wrong. Were such the case, a glorious future would be before us. And should any teacher aim at anything less than this?

Prudential committees might have an understanding with each other, and with teachers of acknowledged ability, so that the same teacher might teach the schools in two or more districts, beginning one a little earlier and another a little later than the usual time. It would be better to suffer a little inconvenience as to the time of school, if by so doing a superior teacher could be engaged.

The schools this year, as a whole, have been better than those of last year. Reading and spelling have been attended to by all the scholars, and marked improvement noticed, especially in reading. All, perhaps, of suitable age and capacity, have attended to arithmetic, geography, grammar, and writing. The last-named needs more attention given to it in almost all our

schools. A few of the scholars have studied book-keeping, history, philosophy, and algebra. It is lamentably true that a large number of instances of tardiness still occur in many of our schools, as may be seen by referring to the statistical table in this report: a serious evil. Ought not parents to correct it?

A copy of the law enacted by the Legislature, last June session, entitled "An act to compel children to attend school," was posted in three public places in each district in town, as by law required.

The teachers in districts Nos. 3, 5, 6, and for the first term in Nos. 4 and 12, and the second term in No. 14, reckoned only five days for a week; all the other teachers reckoned five and a half days for a week, which is the measure adopted in the statistical table of this report. Consequently, prudential committees may notice that their schools are reported shorter, and the wages per month higher, than they bargained for. There is a difference of one week in eleven.

An evil which is the source of many others still exists. It is allowing the scholars to have charge of the school-house and other district property, for an hour or two each day. No prudent house-keeper would think of leaving her parlor, dining-room, or kitchen in charge of twenty or thirty children, gathered indiscriminately from the families of the neighborhood, to do as they pleased, for a half hour even, one day in a week. As long as this custom prevails we may expect to find in the school-room broken benches, desks, settees, chair, tables, doors, and stoves, and a general smashing up of things.

I would suggest that it would be better for the boys and girls to have their recess separate; better for boys and girls to sit, for their regular seats in the school-room, at different desks; better for pupils to recite by turns, as a general rule, rather than indis-

criminally, or in concert; better for scholars to accustom themselves to work examples in mathematics on the blackboard, without the book before them. It is well for the scholars to give attention to the abbreviations, and not forget the rules for punctuation. It is well for the teacher, at the close of the spelling lesson, to pronounce to the class the words in the next lesson, or require the scholars to do so. A review, each day, of the preceding lesson, and a general review at the close of the term, to which the parents should be invited, are recommended.

I believe not one of the 3,637,442 persons in the United States, who are reported unable to read, is found in Campton.

We have already been benefited by the State Normal School, in the practical instruction there given to some of the teachers and advanced scholars who have attended, and also in the increased interest in the cause of education awakened in the community. It is hoped that those who design to teach in our schools, especially the young and inexperienced, will attend the Normal School.

Respectfully submitted :

QUINCY BLAKELY,

*School Committee.*

Campton, N. H., Feb. 29, 1872.